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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Final Official Action of August 1, 2005. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this document.